GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Indian Community Welfare Fund
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) set up by the Government has been operationalised in the Indian Missions in all the countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any assistance was rendered out of this fund to the persons/workers of Indian origin, found to be in distress, after its operationalisation;

(d) if so, the details thereof, case-wise and country-wise; and

(e) the total amount collected in the form of immigration fee during the last two years?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) to (e) The Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) has been extended to all our Missions and Posts abroad by the government and is also operational in almost all the Missions. Available details of assistance rendered by our Missions out of this Fund to persons/workers of Indian origin in distress, case-wise and country-wise, are attached in Annexure.

There is no provision for collecting immigration fee under the ICWF.